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Applicants

: SUN, J.

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: 09/769,388

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: PASTE FORMULATION FOR SEED TREATMENT OF PLANTS

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The following is in response to the Office Action of March 27, 2002.

Claims 1 through 14 are pending in the application.

Applicant has been required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

Applicant has been advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected (a specific completely defined seed treatment formulation and a specific completely defined organosilicone compound) consonant with this requirement, and a

listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added.

In accordance with this requirement, Applicant elects a seed treatment formulation comprising the active ingredient oxycarboxin. This species is supported in the specification on page 9 at lines 11 through 13 and on page 10 at lines 8 through 10.

Further in accordance with this requirement, Applicant elects the organosilicone compound identified in the specification as "Silicone 3". Silicone 3 is an organosilicone of the structure:

wherein:

R¹ and R² are CH₃;

X is 0;

Y is 1.9; and

Z is $C_3H_6O(C_2H_4O)_{7.5}$ -CH₃.

This species is supported in the specification on page 6, lines 5 through 10; page 7, lines 10 through 12; and page 16, Table 1, last line.

The following claims read on the elected species: claims 1 through 11.

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Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Election Requirement as well as consideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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